

Also included with this request is the written consent of the assignee to the inventorship change, as required by 37 CFR §1.48(a)(5), and a statement of the assignee's ownership under 37 CFR 3.73(b) supported by a copy of the assignment executed by the original inventors. An updated assignment to the same assignee, executed by the all inventors including the inventor added by this amendment, is also included.

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IN THE SPECIFICATION

On page 4, in the 18th and 19th lines of text, the specification cites copending application 10/037643 but references that copending application by an erroneous title. To correct this error, on page 4, in the 18th and 19th lines of text, please replace the erroneous title "Surface Hardened Swage Mounts for Improved Performance" with the correct title of copending application 10/037643, which is "Swage Mounting Using Surface Protrusions." A clean version of the replacement paragraph of the specification is included herewith per 37 CFR §1.121(b)(1)(ii). A marked-up version of the replacement paragraph of the specification is included herewith per 37 CFR §1.121(b)(1)(iii).

Respectfully submitted,
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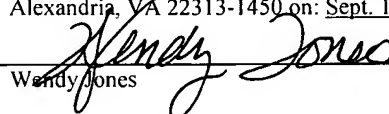


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CLEAN VERSION OF REPLACEMENT PARAGRAPH IN SPECIFICATION

A base plate is disclosed in copending application SN 10/037643 "Swage Mounting Using Surface Protrusions" of Ernest Swayney and Steve Braunheim in which the outer surface of the hub includes numerous protrusions that are less than approximately 50 microns in height. The protrusions are primarily comprised of a material (such as a carbide or a nitride) which is different from the stainless steel hub. Preferably, the protrusions are substantially harder (such as at least 50 hardness Vickers harder) than the base material of the hub. The purpose of the protrusions is to provide greater retention torque when the base plate is swaged to an actuator arm.